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Copies of the listed foreign patent documents are attached. Copies of the U.S. Patent and U.S. Patent Application Publication documents have not been attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO 1449.

For non-English language document EP 0 521 460 B1, the document is discussed on pages 2 and 3 of the specification of the present patent application. The claims (see columns 13-16) of this document are in English.

For the following non-English language documents, an English language abstract is provided herewith: WO 97/20536; DE 100 57 153 A1.

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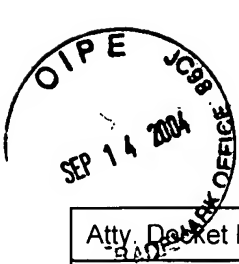
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## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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